



### STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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# Testimony COMMENTING on H.C.R. 207 REQUESTING THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CONVENE A TASK FORCE TO EXAMINE HOW A STATEWIDE USE OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ASSESSMENTS AND RESPONSE PROTOCOLS BY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL CAN HELP TO STRENGTHEN THE STATE'S OVERALL RESPONSE TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.

## REPRESENTATIVE JOY A. SAN BUENAVENTURA, CHAIR COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES & HOMELESSNESS

## REPRESENTATIVE JOHN MIZUNO, CHAIR COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Hearing Date: March 22, 2019 9:00am Room Number: 329

Fiscal Implications: None.

Department Testimony: In October 2018, the Department convened a group from the state's Emergency Medical Service (EMS) agencies and domestic violence prevention community stakeholders to examine how a statewide use of domestic violence assessments and response protocols by EMS personnel can help to strengthen the State's overall response to domestic violence. As a result, Kapiolani Community College is working with the Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence and the Domestic Violence Action Center on a two-hour mandatory training module for all Hawaii paramedics and emergency medical technicians. The training will provide EMS responders with the ability to identify domestic violence victims and refer them to appropriate care.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ann S Freed	Hawaii Women's Coalition	Support	No

Comments:

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Testimony for HSH on 3/22/2019 9:00:00 AM

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Comments: